

MRS. HALL TO FIGHT A NEW ARREST MURDER PISTOL TRACED, IS CLAIM

Demand to Bail Carpender and Stevens Monday

With her two kinsmen, Henry de la Bruyere Carpende and Willie Stevens, held without bail in Somerset County Prison, at Somerville, N. J., on a charge of murdering the Rev. Dr. Edward W. Hall and Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills, Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, widow of the slain clergyman, today faces arrest once more in the four-year-old mystery.

Assistant Attorney General Alexander Simpson has announced that he will fight the move of counsel for the accused men to admit them to bail, and at the same time will demand the rearrest of Mrs. Hall, who at present is at liberty in \$15,000 bail on the murder charge. Her lawyers announced they would contest this.

To Ask Bail Monday

The appeal for bail is expected to be made Monday at 10 o'clock in the morning at Newark Court-house before Chief Justice William Gummere of the New Jersey Supreme Court by Robert H. McCarter, chief of counsel for the defense. Backed by his associates, Timothy N. Pfeiffer, Robert H. Neilson, James Palzer and State Senator Clarence E. Case, he issued the following statement:—

"We welcome an examination of the case by the grand jury, for it is our belief that no grand jury will indict either Mrs. Hall, Mr. Carpende or Mr. Stevens."



Henry de la B.
Carpende



Alexander
Simpson

Mr. McCarter said he expected to make the application for bail in the chambers of Justice Gummere, but Senator Simpson asserted that he would fight this move.

Simpson Full of Fight

"I will oppose this, too," he said. "I believe all matters in the Hall-Mills case should be argued in open court."

Carpende and Stevens were committed to jail without bail by Common Pleas Judge Frank L. Cleary at Somerville yesterday after he had listened to stories told by more than sixty witnesses summoned by the prosecution during the three and one-half days of the hearing.

"There is no question in my mind," said Judge Cleary in his oral decision, "that such a case (a prima facie case) has been made out."

He then held the two men for the grand jury, and later intimated that this move would pave the way to a revocation of Mrs. Hall's bail, which is extremely low for a charge as serious as murder.

Evidence in Reserve

In his closing remarks, Senator Simpson asserted that he had not made use of all his evidence, pointing out in particular that an important discovery had been made the night before the close of the hearing. This was the finding of a pistol, said by Philadelphia police to be linked with the case. It is a Spanish weapon of 25

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Two Fresh Clues in Hall Case



ASH BASKET reveals flame-scorched diary to Miss Elsie Benton, 16, of Washington, D. C., said to shed important light on crime in new murder investigation. Inset shows .25 caliber automatic pistol, found in Philadelphia hotel, said to be murder weapon. Police are checking on both clues.

Oberst Gang, Guilty, To Be Sentenced Today

The five youthful members of the Philip Oberst gang of bandits, found guilty in the Bronx County Court, of felonious assault and attempted robbery, will receive their sentences today.

Dawes Plan Spells Ruin, British Moan

British manufacturers are organizing a movement to have the Dawes plan altered. It is a menace to their business, they assert, and unless it is changed, Germany will emerge as the real winner of the war.

They figure that there are only two ways in which Germany can meet its payment provisions—either by sending out gold or sending out goods.

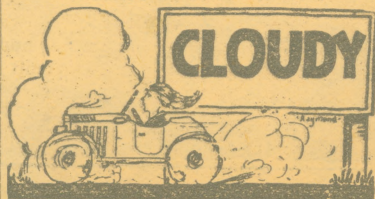
Gold is out of the question, because most of that metal is held in the United States.

STEAL POLICE CAR

CHICAGO, Aug. 20 (By U. P.).—Automobile thieves stole a police squad car left standing in the street here when Driver John Barrett and Detective Sergeant Patrick Cooney were seeking men who had held up taxicab drivers in a pool hall.

THE WEATHER

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 1926.



U. S. WEATHER FORECAST
LOCAL—Mostly cloudy; probably rain; cool; fresh, northeast to east winds.
EASTERN NEW YORK—Mostly cloudy; probably rain; cool; fresh northeast to east winds.

Secret Cellar Grave Dug For Woman After Killing; Sinister Cripple Sought

A grave, six feet deep, six feet long, and four feet wide was dug in the cellar of 100 Utica Ave., Brooklyn, presumably for the concealment of the unidentified woman, 50 years old, who was murdered there yesterday, police revealed today.

The body of the woman was discovered after negroes told police that they had heard screams and had seen two men leave the house hurriedly. She is still unidentified.

The grave had been dug beneath the parlor near the wall. Fresh piles of dirt were heaped on both sides of the deep hole. On top of the excavated earth were a pick, a shovel and a spade, so new that the labels were only slightly soiled.

One of the two men who were seen to enter the house about forty-five minutes before the woman's screams were heard had a limp and carried a cane. He is said to be a sinister looking cripple.

Police are working on the theory that the men lured the woman to the place, having hired it for the express purpose of getting her there and then making her sign over a parcel of property which they wanted.

Her failure to concede to their demands cost her life, they believe.

White House Saves \$12.75 by Paying Bills Promptly

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The White House saved \$12.75 in the fiscal year ended June 30 by taking advantage of discounts for prompt payment of bills, Budget Director Lord announced.

The Federal Power Commission saved 18 cents and the efficiency bureau 44 cents. The total saving in all government departments from discounts, however, amounted to \$675.-\$32.02.

British Tar Knifed In Fight on Ship; Assailant in Brig

Geoffrey Smith, 20, a British seaman, was brought ashore in a tugboat today seriously wounded as the result of a battle with a fellow sailor on board the S. S. Barbadian, en route from Boston to Baltimore. The tug John Meseck met the freighter at Quarantine in response to a radio message, rushing the wounded man to a hospital.

Smith was knifed in the abdomen. The assailant, who will be arraigned when the freighter touches at Baltimore, is under arrest on shipboard.

Vigilantes Guard New York Crops

Ithaca, N. Y., Aug. 20 (By U. P.).—The Vigilantes have sprung into activity again, made necessary by the depredations of usually thoughtless but often worse automobile tourists upon the crops and property of farmers.

The State Farm Bureau now has a Vigilance Committee, which has already made several arrests and prosecutions.

Fifteen thousand vigilance signs have been sent out for posting on farms. It is estimated that \$1,000,000 will be saved to the farmers of the state by this campaign.

Houdini Challenger Asked 'To Do Stuff' By Science Paper

Wednesday Nino Pecoraro challenged Harry Houdini to a spiritualism test. He wanted to win \$10,000 that Harry had offered any one who proved himself a bona fide medium. Houdini, he said, had asked him to post another \$10,000, a sum he did not possess.

Today Pecoraro himself was challenged by Science and Invention Magazine to do his stuff. The magazine has a standing offer of \$12,000 to any one who proves himself a medium, and through The GRAPHIC invited Pecoraro to demonstrate his supernatural abilities.

The Italian, who lives at 310 East 110th St., claims he was discharged from the Italian army because he is "ghost haunted." In 1923 he won a \$2,500 prize from a special investigation committee of the Scientific American, he claims.

Gaines Doomed to Die For Daughter's Murder

SEATTLE, WASH., Aug. 20.—Wallace Gaines, brother of William Gaines, county commissioner here, early today was convicted by a jury in Superior Court of the murder of his pretty 22-year-old daughter, Sylvia, a Smith College graduate.

The prosecution alleged that Gaines, fearing the disclosure of intimate relations with his own daughter, killed her in a lonely spot near the shores of Green Lake and left her nude body lying beside the stone with which he head was crushed.

The jury recommended the death penalty. It received the case at 4.05 p. m. and after more than four hours deliberation announced it had reached a verdict.

Immediate notice of appeal was given by the defense attorneys. They will claim that the judge erred in instructing the jury that the testimony of "alibi witnesses" should be scrutinized with the greatest care.

They also will ask appeal on the grounds that evidence regarding the alleged relations of Gaines with his daughter should not have been admitted.

Car Hits Building; Two Men Injured

Arnold Colombo, 28, of 320 8th St., West New York, N. J., and Paul Caurristo, 36, of 117 East 76th St., today are recovering from injuries sustained when the auto in which they were riding crashed into a building at East Tremont and Waterbury Avenues, The Bronx.

Colombo is in Fordham Hospital with a fractured skull and Caurristo is at home with abrasions. It is believed that Colombo, who was driving, lost control of the car.